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## DECLARATION OF JOSEPH SALVO UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

I, Joseph Salvo, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. My name is Joseph Salvo and I currently reside in New York; my current address is 1155 Avon Road Schenectady, New York 12308.
- 2 I am a named co-inventor of the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified patent application, serial number 10/065,865, filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 26, 2002 and assigned Attorney Docket Number (121985-1, and alternatively 30011).
- At the time the invention claimed in the referenced application was made, I was employed by General Electric Company at its Corporate Research and Development facility in Niskayuna, New York as the Manager of the Pervasive Decisioning Systems Laboratory.
- My co-inventors and I conceived and reduced to practice the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the above referenced patent application prior to June 11, 2002. Such conception and reduction to practice is evidenced by the General Electric Patent Disclosure Letter, dated December 10, 2001, a true and

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accurate redacted copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Such conception and reduction to practice is also evidenced by GE presentation titled. "Materials Management Digitization Program," a true and accurate redacted copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The disclosure given in Exhibit A and Exhibit B illustrate a system and method for enabling enhanced asset management and tracking capabilities as disclosed in the present application.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. Furthermore these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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